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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE TURKISH CYPRIOT UDI

REF: NICOSIA 1425

1. GREEK AMBASSADOR ALEXANDRAKIS AND CYPRIOT AMBASSADOR
DIMITRIOU IN SEPARATE CALLS ON DEPTOFF (EUR) MAY 31
EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT RECENT STATEMENTS BY TURKISH CYPRIOT
LEADER DENKTASH SEEMED TO IMPLY THAT UDI PRIOR TURKISH
ELECTION WAS POSSIBILITY. AT MINIMUM, DIMITRIOU SAID SUCH
STATEMENTS DID NOT CONTRIBUTE TO GOOD ATMOSPHERE FOR INTER-
COMMUNAL TALKS. HE ALSO CITED STATEMENT OF DENKTASH CON-
CERNING "APPROPRIATE COUNTER MEASURES" TO PRESENT GREEK
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CYPRIOT "ECONOMIC WARFARE" AND WONDERED WHAT TURKISH
CYPRIOTS HAD IN MIND. DIMITRIOU URGED THAT US PROBE
WHETHER THERE WAS ANYTHING BEHIND THESE RUMORS. IN SEPA-
RATE MAY 31 TELCON WITH COUNSELOR NIMETZ, DIMITRIOU
EXPRESSED SIMILAR CONCERNS RE UDI POSSIBILITY.

2. NIMETZ AND OTHER DEPTOFFS RESPONDED TO DIMITRIOU THAT

WE THOUGHT RECENT DENKTASH STATEMENTS WERE PRODUCT OF
TURKISH ELECTION CAMPAIGN, AS WELL AS ISLAMIC CONFERENCE
RESULTS, AND THAT FROM CLIFFORD MISSION DISCUSSIONS AND
OTHER OCCASIONS BOTH GOT AND TURKISH CYPRIOTS WERE FULLY

AWARE OF USG VIEW THAT UDI WOULD HAVE MOST UNFORTUNATE
CONSEQUENCES. WE EXPRESSED DOUBT THAT DENKTASH RHETORIC
WOULD BE TRANSLATED INTO ACTION IN NEAR FUTURE. WE ALSO
WELCOMED APPARENT AGREEMENT OF BOTH SIDES TO GO AHEAD WITH
JUNE 3 INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS IN NICOSIA.

3. EMBASSY NICOSIA MAY DRAW ON FOREGOING AS APPROPRIATE.
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